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WE MUST LET DAUGHTER GROW UP

Esther 4:10-17

Queen Esther hardly more than teenage-doll. Most beautiful. *life so deeply in children today. strict - permissive.*

INT: America desperately needs girls today with queenly virtues.

Ill. Special Education classes for unwed teen-age mothers

Lesson not to criticize girls; Rather to offer an ideal.

Girls have God-given role to play in life. Help find it.

I. WHAT IS THE MODERN GIRL LIKE? Two answers.

1st A. Dorothy Dix: "Bobby soxers are chaste little hell-cats with muddy minds, who expect to play around with the fires of sin and not get burned." Not all bobby soxers!

B. Modern girls not seeing too good an example in womanhood

F. B. I. Ill. Drunkenness up 39% Vagrancy 124%. Disorderly 69%.

C. Modern girl's attitude toward the HOME.

Ill. Real estate agent approached pretty newcomer to the city to sell her a new home.

"What do I need with a new home?"

BORN in a HOSPITAL.

REARED in a BOARDING SCHOOL.

COURTED in an AUTOMOBILE.

MARRIED in a CHAPEL.

EAT means a CAFETERIA.

WASH clothes WASHATERIA.

MORNINGS on GOLF COURSE.

AFTERNOONS at BRIDGE.

EVENINGS at BOWLING ALLEY AND THEATER.

SICK go to a HOSPITAL

DIE go to a MORTUARY

BURIED be in GROUND

Can you give me your price list on 2nd-hand trailerhouse

D. Today: 118,400,000 Americans live in OWN HOME. (Buying!)

2nd E. L. Arnold Watson: Article: Nurtured in the Lord.

Many young ladies today just as fine!!!

II. WHY IS IT SO HARD FOR YOUNG GIRLS TO GROW INTO CHRISTIAN WOMANHOOD TODAY?

A. Christian-defined: Eph. 5:25-28. Matthew 5:8. Rev. 21:27  
If feel TOO strict, have to talk to LORD about it.

B. WHAT in the teenage life hinders attainment of this goal

1. AUTHORITY: JUDGE JACOB M. BRAUDE. Cook Co., Ill.

"The 15 causes of delinquency." Family Weekly, 3-15-59.

a. Movies and Television: Three major themes today;  
"Adultery, Divorce and Murder."

b. Magazines: Emphasis: "Crime, violence, bloodshed."  
and books. Esp. paper backs.

# Women in the Kingdom "Nurtured in the Lord"

L. Arnold Watson 2-2-61

I have just attended the funeral services of a true "mother in Israel." Facts concerning her life are worthy of repeating and emulating.

She was the daughter of a gospel preacher. She was the sister of a gospel preacher. She has two nephews who are also gospel preachers. Her two granddaughters are married to gospel preachers. Her two sons are both elders in the Lord's church. Her daughter, a Bible school teacher, and son-in-law are faithful members of Christ's body.

Added to these remarkable facts is the fact that of all these of her family, their companions and families, not one smokes or uses tobacco in any form. (Naturally, they don't drink either!) All are very faithful to the Lord and to his church.

What far-reaching, soul-stirring influences can come from one daughter reared and "nurtured in the Lord."



- c. Automobiles: The bed of adultery on wheels.  
Too much freedom; too little supervision.
- d. Idleness and unemployment: "restless wanderers  
and carriers of idle gossip and filth."
- e. Lack of Home discipline: Prov. 22:6.  
"Nobody else does this!" Progressive Education.
- f. Lack of School discipline: Col. 3:17.  
"Our job is to teach facts." Morals and ethics  
must be taught by the home and the church!!!!
- g. Lack of Love and Affection in the Home. Titus 2:4-5.
- h. Lack of Religious Training. "Let her make up her  
own mind about Bible School.) Let her make up her  
own mind on: Proper diet? Sleep? Cleanliness?  
School? Then why so absurd about most important????

### III. ESTHER WAS A QUEEN BECAUSE SHE WAS TRAINED TO BE A QUEEN.

- A. Orphan girl. Vs. 2:7. Didn't just have her, wanted her
- B. Queenly qualities evident. Vs. 2:15 & 17.
- C. Esther's loyalty, bravery and self-less-ness  
was severely tested. V. 4:11.
- D. Mordecai encouraged her by mild rebuke. V. 13-17.
- E. Feast of Purim (since B. C. 536) honors this  
teenage queen. (The Risk is Equal to the Gain!)
- F. We have Queens like Esther today: Ill. Cindy  
(Clara Willison. Winnipeg, Canada.) Tragedy:  
June 29, 1961 at 552 Dufferin Ave. Cindy was  
out of the fire but went back for Doris 10,  
and Douglas 6. Cindy found hovering over D & D.  
.....Horizons, Vol. XII, No. 6. Aug. 1961.

CONCLUSION: Cindy was just as determined to LIVE for her Lord  
as she was to DIE for her family, if necessary.

HER JEWELLED CROWN IS LAID UP FOR HER IN HEAVEN!!!

John 15:13

INV: Why vs. 13 below vs. 12 and before vs. 14?

Christ calls all people to live for Him. B-R-C-B.

Christ invites sinful disciples to try again. R-P.

Congregation invites newcomers to identify with us.



# AN ETERNAL EXAMPLE FOR MOTHERS

Prov. 31:10-31

INT: America still a nation with many good mothers. Attend more gospel meetings, teacher training classes, lectures, PTA. American cultural life experiencing violent attempts to change it to the worse. Equalitarianism, pragmatism etc. American women, who rock the cradle, can either rock or ruin the church and the nation. Someone needs to stand!! Text about a woman in adverse social conditions, who gave an eternal example for mothers of all ages to come.

- I. A GOOD MOTHER IS RELIGIOUS. Verse 30. *Valley & Shadow!*
- A. Religion means "bound to God". Feel dependence more.
  - B. Being a mother does not make one religious any more!
    - 1. Old sow is a mother; not religious. Faith, character!
  - C. Religious mothers warn children against STRONG DRINK. 4-6
    - 1. Also cigarettes. Memphis ashes in babies face. Detest

- II. A GOOD MOTHER IS STRONG. (Phy. Mentally, and Spiritually)
- A. She isn't accidentally strong. V. 17 & 25. Hard work!
  - B. Some strong in GOOD WILL and some just strong in WILL.
    - 1. Naboth a victim of Jezebel's strong will. I Kings 21.
    - 2. John Baptist a victim of Herodias' will. Matt. 14.
    - 3. Most tragic church troubles ever seen caused by women
  - C. Good women spend their energies in good works. V. 29.

- III. A GOOD MOTHER IS TENDER. Vs. 20 and 26. *nothing higher! Nothing lower!*
- A. Aren't all mothers tender by nature? No! Titus 2:4-5.
    - 1. Bobby Greenlease kidnapper: Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady!
    - 2. George Stanley, age 5, beaten, burned, 19 ribs broken, and mouth pierced by woman of Pauls Valley, Okla.
    - 3. Ann "CRAZY" of Houston dismembered her two, razorbl
    - 4. Two Jewish womens' plot to eat children. A. D. 70.
  - B. All good mothers ARE tender by nature because they partake of the nature of the tender Heavenly Father.
    - II Peter 1:2-7. ALL must work on this ALL the time.

- IV. A GOOD MOTHER IS A HOME-MAKER, NOT JUST A HOUSEKEEPER.
- A. Arises early to supply needs of family. V. 15
    - 1. Hard for many to do today because stayed out so late.
      - Daughter comes in at 11:30. Goes to bed.
      - Mother comes in at 12:30. "Leave door open for GM.
      - Grand Ma comes in at 2:30. What's up tomorrow???
    - 2. Her children not afraid of the snow. V. 21, 22.
    - 3. Personal touch at distaff. V. 19.
  - B. Woman's highest calling is a comfortable Chr. Home. V. 27

and books. Esp. paper backs.

**INV:** Old Saying: "The hand that rocks the cradle  
rules the world." True in sense.

The hand that rocks the cradle also rocks the  
church in its infancy and influentially  
guides it through childhood.

This is an Individual matter after all.

Goal of every woman: If only ONE Christian  
mother left obeying God aright -- it  
shall be me!

If only one home still following divine  
pattern, it shall be ~~me~~ *me!*

If only one husband still praising his  
helpmeet, it shall be ~~me~~ *mine!*

If only one child still looking up to,  
admiring and trusting in his mother,  
it shall be my child.

Invitation extended to all who are out of Christ.  
B-R-C-B

Invitation extended to any who have fallen away.  
R-P

Invitation to all who realize need of Church to  
help you be the PERSON you ought to be  
**HAVE** FAMILY yours ought to be.

Identify, right now.



ARE YOU FIT TO BE A MOTHER

Proverbs 31:10-31

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H

INT: American life becoming faster and more complex all time.  
78% pop. in city now. 19,000,000 working women. 50% married.  
Is role of woman changing? Any field not open to her now? Change could have serious consequences on happiness of all.  
Lesson: Comparison of God's ideal with woman today.

I. A GOOD MOTHER IS RELIGIOUS.

- A. Just being a mother does not make one religious.
  - 1. A sow is a mother. Also know an athiest mother.
- B. Religion is basis of virtues. Text high example. 26, 29.
- C. 27,000,000 children out of Bible school in U. S.  
reflects the conditions of the American mother.
- D. Woman's place and purpose dictated by Lord, but she is  
not there serving faithfully. Gen. 1:18, Tit. 2:4-5.

II. A GOOD MOTHER IS STRONG. (Physically, mentally, spiritually)

- A. Weaker sex, yet usually stronger in character. 12, 17, 25
- B. Constant love-service is source of phy. strength. 13, 27.
- C. Moral fiber of American womanhood rotting in some  
areas. Hollywood, stage and T. V. good examples.
  - 1. Saying: Nothing better than good woman, worse, bad.
- D. Spiritual strength comes from source. John 4:14.

III. A GOOD MOTHER IS TENDER.

- A. Aren't mothers tender by nature? Some! Read Titus 2:4.
- B. Recent telephone conversations convinced me some women  
should have been men. Hard and coarse like men.
- C. Her tongue is coated with wisdom and kindness. 26.
  - 1. Psychologists say mothers just a little favored.
- D. Recent cases of infanticide indicate deterioration in  
women. (Cases listed on the back-\*)

IV. A GOOD MOTHER IS A HOME MAKER, NOT JUST A HOUSEKEEPER.

- A. Arises early to supply needs of family. 15.
  - 1. Breakdown in relations: How little can I get by with.
- B. She layeth hand to spindle and distaff. 19. Per. touch.
- C. Household not afraid of snow. Robed in scarlet. 21.
- D. Her children classify her. Husband rates her. She is  
called blessed and praised by her husband. Rewards.

CONC: Old law of reaping what we sow is evident here as always.  
*Praised by the Lord?*

INV: Lydia's influence led her whole household to obey the  
gospel. What kind of woman was she? Acts 16:14-15.

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**\* Bobby Greenlease case. Kansas.**

**Oklahoma beating case. Child beaten, 19 ribs broken. Burned. Mouth pierced with sissors. Done by: Mrs. Virginia Thompson, Pauls Valley, Oklahoma.**

**George Stanley, age 5. Died 2-2-55.**

*Ann*